

Information for Release 6/28/2011
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Date of the notification to CPS: 6/25/2011

**Fatality** 

The date the child suffered the fatality: 6/25/2011

Child's name: Tyshea Austin

Age at time of incident: 3 Years

Perpetrator(s): Martwan Mackey

**Age:** 18

City, town or general location of residence of the child and perpetrator(s): Both the child and perpetrator were residing in Phoenix at the time of the incident.

## A. Circumstances of the fatality or near fatality that indicate it was the result of abuse or neglect:

On June 25, 2011, Phoenix Police Department responded to a 9-1-1 call made by Martwan Mackey reporting that Tyshea was not breathing. Tyshea was found deceased covered in bruises and adult bite marks.

B. Whether CPS has received any reports or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian\*:

CPS had no prior reports alleging abuse or neglect of Tyshea Austin by Martwan Mackey.

1. Actions taken by CPS in response to the fatality or near fatality of the child including:

CPS is conducting a joint investigation with the Phoenix Police Department.

2. Actions taken regarding the child and/or other children in the home:

CPS is carefully monitoring the status of a sibling, who has been hospitalized, to determine further action.

3. Whether the agency is or intends to provide direct services or service referrals to the family:

A determination of whether services are warranted will occur at the conclusion of the investigation, which is ongoing.

<sup>\*</sup>Posted information provides whether there have been reports or any current or past cases of child abuse, abandonment or neglect involving the child who has died or suffered a near fatality and the current alleged abusive or neglectful parent, guardian or custodian pursuant to A.R.S. § 8-807(F)(2)(a)(iv).

Information, if any, regarding other family or household members and the child or the alleged perpetrator is not posted on the Web site. Calls to the Child Abuse Hotline that do not meet the criteria of a report because they do not contain allegations of abuse or neglect (or because there is no information provided to locate the child or family) are not posted.